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N THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re:

Application of:

Kevin Lauren COTE, et al.

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For:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR WEB

TENSION MEASUREMENT

Examiner:

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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

BOX: NO FEE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

March 15, 2002

Sir:

In response to the office action dated December 19, 2002 received in the above-identified application, applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5, 6 and 9 to 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Herzhoff. Claims 2, 4, 7, 8 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested in view of the following comments, and allowance of all the claims respectfully requested.